## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN - SOUTHERN DIVISION

David Kircher,

Plaintiff,

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Court File No: 04-72449
Honorable Gerald Rosen
Magistrate Judge Donald A. Scheer

City of Ypsilanti; Cheryl Farmer, Mayor of Ypsilanti; Charles Boulard, Building Inspector of Ypsilanti; Jon Ichesco, Fire Marshall of Ypsilanti; Robert Barnes; Washtenaw County Circuit Judge Donald Shelton, and Washtenaw County Circuit Judge Timothy Connors.

Defendants.

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## DEFENDANTS JUDGE SHELTON AND JUDGE CONNORS' ANSWER TO FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

Now come Defendants Washtenaw County Judge Donald Shelton and Washtenaw County Judge Timothy Connors, by their attorneys Reach, Ranney & Carpenter, P.C., and for their Answer to Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint says as follows:

1. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 1 of Plaintiff's Complaint.

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2. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 2 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

3. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 3 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

4. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

5. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 5 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

6. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 6 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

7. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 7 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

8. Defendant Shelton admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 8 of Plaintiff's

Complaint.

9. Defendant Connors admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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10. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

11. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

12. Plaintiff has apparently summarized a legal concept not requiring an answer.

13. Plaintiff has apparently summarized a legal concept not requiring an answer.

14. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 14 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

15. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 15 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

16. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 16 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

17. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 17 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

18. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 18 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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19. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 19 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

20. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 20 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

21. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 21 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

22. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 22 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

23. Plaintiff has apparently summarized a legal concept not requiring an answer.

24. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 24 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

Count I

25. Defendants hereby incorporate the preceding Paragraphs of this Answer as if

said Paragraphs were more fully set forth herein.

26. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 26 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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27. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 27 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

28. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 28 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

29. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 29 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

30. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 30 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

31. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 31 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

32. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 32 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

33. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 33 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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34. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 34 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

35. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 35 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

36. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 36 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

37. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 37 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

38. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 38 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

39. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 39 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

40. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 40 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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41. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 41 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

42. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 42 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

43. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 43 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

44. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 44 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

45. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 45 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors respectfully request this

Court be dismissed with prejudice and without delay.

Count II

46. Defendants hereby incorporate the preceding Paragraphs of this Answer as if

said Paragraphs were more fully set forth herein.

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47. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 47 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

48. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 48 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

49. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 49 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

50. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 50 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

51. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 51 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

52. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 52 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

53. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 53 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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54. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 54 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

55. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 55 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors respectfully request this

Court be dismissed with prejudice and without delay.

Count III

56. Defendants hereby incorporate the preceding Paragraphs of this Answer as if

said Paragraphs were more fully set forth herein.

57. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 57 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

58. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 58 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

59. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 59 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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60. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 60 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

61. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 61 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

62. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 62 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

63. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 63 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

64. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 64 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

65. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 65 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

66. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 66 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

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67. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 67 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors respectfully request this

Court be dismissed with prejudice and without delay.

Count IV

68. Defendants hereby incorporate the preceding Paragraphs of this Answer as if

said Paragraphs were more fully set forth herein.

69. Defendants Shelton and Connors are without knowledge or information

sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of those allegations contained in Paragraph 69 of

Plaintiff's Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors respectfully request this

Court be dismissed with prejudice and without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 7/22/07

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## DEFENDANTS JUDGE SHELTON AND JUDGE CONNORS' AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

Now come Defendants Washtenaw Circuit Judge Donald Shelton and Washtenaw Circuit Judge Timothy Connors, by their attorneys Reach, Ranney & Carpenter, P.C., and for their Affirmative Defenses to Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint says as follows:

- Plaintiff has failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted as to
   Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors.
- There are no material issues of fact and Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge
   Connors are entitled to judgment as a matter of law.

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3. Defendants Judge Shelton and Judge Connors are entitled to immunity.

4. Res judicata and/or collateral estoppel bar any claims plead against Defendant

Judges Shelton and Connors.

5. Plaintiff has failed to exhaust available remedies in the state judicial process,

thereby barring these claims.

6. There has been no proper service of process upon Defendant Judges Shelton

and Connors and therefore, no jurisdiction over these Defendants.

7. Defendant Judges Shelton and Connors reserve the right to additional

Affirmative Defenses and Counter-Claims should this case proceed.

Wherefore Defendant Judges Shelton and Connors respectfully request Plaintiff's First

Amended Complaint be dismissed with prejudice and without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 7/22/04

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